

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

1. (Currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition for ~~preventing or treating addiction to~~ inhibiting psychological dependence on morphine, comprising berberine with an inhibitory effect versus increase of psychological dependence and spontaneous locomotor activity.

2. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition as set forth in claim 1, wherein the composition comprises the berberine as an effective ingredient and further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

3. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition for preventing or inhibiting development of tolerance to analgesic effects of morphine, comprising berberine as an effective ingredient.

4. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition as set forth in claim 3, further comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

5. (New) A method of inhibiting psychological dependence on morphine comprising administering to a person having dependence on morphine a pharmaceutical composition comprising berberine with an inhibitory effect versus increase of psychological dependence and spontaneous locomotor activity.

6. (New) A method according to claim 5, wherein berberine is an effective ingredient in the pharmaceutical composition and the pharmaceutical composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

7. (New) A method for preventing or inhibiting in a person development of tolerance to analgesic effects of morphine comprising administering to such person a pharmaceutical composition having berberine as an effective ingredient.

8. (New) A method according to claim 7, wherein the pharmaceutical composition comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.